Amendments to the Specification:

Please **REPLACE** the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 1 (Paragraph [0001]), with the following amended paragraph.

This application is a continuation-in-part of Application No. 09/706,456 filed November 3, 2000, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/240,683 filed on October 16, 2000, and is related to U.S. Patent Application No. 60/084,350, entitled "PORTAL OPERATING SYSTEM," filed on May 5, 1998; U.S. Patent Application No. 09/040,972, entitled "APPLICATION SERVER," filed on March 18, 1998 (Attorney Docket No. 294518002 US); U.S. Patent Application No. 60/084,314, entitled "DIGITAL HEAD AND GATEWAY," filed on May 5, 1998; U.S. Patent Application No. 09/304,973, entitled "METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR GENERATING A MAPPING BETWEEN TYPES OF DATA," filed on May 4, 1999 (Attorney Docket No. 294518004 US); U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/235,056, entitled "METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR DATA METERING," filed on September 25, 2000 (Attorney Docket No. 294518006 US); U.S. Patent Application No. 09/474,664, entitled "METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR DATA DEMULTIPLEXING," filed on December 29, 1999 (Attorney docket No. 294518007 US); U.S. Patent Application No. 09/478,920, entitled "DIRECT MANIPULATION OF DISPLAYED CONTENT," filed on January 6, 2000 (Attorney Docket No. 294518008 US); U.S. Patent Application No. [[_____]] 09/688,581, entitled "FEATURE MANAGER SYSTEM FOR FACILITATING COMMUNICATION AND SHARED FUNCTIONALITY AMONG COMPONENTS," filed on October 16, 2000 (Attorney Docket No. 3802-4032); U.S. Patent Application No. 09/498,016 entitled "MEDIA ROUTING," filed on February 4, 2000 (Attorney Docket No. 3802-4001), the disclosures of which are incorporated herein by reference.

Please **INSERT** after the paragraph [0004] on page 2 but before the subheading "BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS" on page 3, the following subheading and paragraphs:

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

In one embodiment, a system, method and a computer is provided for providing code to computer systems, which involve receiving base code and developer-specified characteristics of the base code from a developer; translating the received base code into an intermediate code; evaluating the intermediate code to determine whether the received base code satisfied the developer-specified characteristics; notifying the developer whether the received base code satisfies the developer-specified characteristics; receiving a request for target code from a requester, the request including requester-specified characteristics that the target code should satisfy; selecting intermediate code that matches the requester-specified characteristics; transforming the selected intermediate code to target code in accordance with the requester-specified characteristics; and sending the target code to the requester.

In another embodiment, a system, method and a computer is provided for processing developer-provided code to be distributed to requesters when requested, which involve receiving base code and developer-specified characteristics of the base code from a developer; evaluating the base code to determine whether it satisfies the developer-specified characteristics; notifying the developer whether the received base code satisfies the developer-specified characteristics; and when target code that derives from the received base code is distributed to a requester, compensating the developer.

In a further embodiment, a system, method and a computer is provided for providing code for computer systems, which involve providing a collection of intermediate code;

receiving a request for target code from a requester, the request including requester-specified

characteristics that the target code should satisfy; selecting intermediate code that matches the

requester-specified characteristics; transforming the selected intermediate code to target code in

accordance with the requester-specified characteristics; and sending the target code to the

requester.